

MONTEREY BAY HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB
Minutes of "Saturday", March 14, 2009 Meeting
Jones Lake

Present: Rich Anderson, Trig and Angie "Birkeland", Linda Christensen, Paul and Judy Ernst, Brian and Denise Iwata, Pat and Rogers Johnson, Wendy Johnston, Steve Kesselring, Elisabeth and Nelson Lampert, and Jamie Warren

Wendy Johnston opened the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Minutes of the January 18, 2009, meeting were approved as corrected.

President's Report: Wendy deferred her report to the Hunt Test Report.

Secretary's Report: We received two letters from AKC: 1) requesting a list of officers and members following our annual election in April and 2) a second letter telling us that the date for our 2010 hunt test is Saturday, February 20, 2010.

Treasurer's Report: Wendy reported in Lucy's absence that the club has \$5,749 in the bank and the hunt test made a profit of \$2,479.

Wendy congratulated everyone for a good hunt test.

Raffle: Trig reported that \$2,4"4"6 raffle tickets were sold and we made a net profit of \$1,9"8"3.

Trig thanked everyone that solicited items for the raffle as well as donated items. He pointed out that if every club member solicited one item from a company, it makes a big difference.

Gunners: Rich reported that we had a good group of gunners. Jim Sheets from Hills Ferry HRC helped sign up gunners.

Wendy reported that Jim Reynolds apologized for not gunning because of an accident however he looks forward to gunning next year.

Marshals: Jamie Warren reported that the marshals did a great job and that the handlers pitched in and helped.

Judges 2010: Wendy requested members to send her suggestions for judges for our 2010 hunt test. The club needs to assign judges as soon as possible as it is likely many more people will be entering our test because the 2010 Master Nationals will be held in California. (August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010 is the qualifying year for Master Nationals). We need to think about the possibility of needing three (3) sets of master judges.

Birds: The birds from Keith Bennett, Ace High Adventures in Chowchilla were great. It was agreed to have furnish birds for next year. The transportation costs were less than Jerry Collingham (NW Gamebirds) who has furnished birds in previous years.

Equipment Needs: Purchase of collapsible game cart was discussed. Trig, Rogers and Rich have carts that they will loan to the committee for next year's hunt test.

Wingers: We need two more wingers. We discussed the differences between Zinger Winger and Gunners Up. "Trig" will research prices.

Bird Racks: We need two more large bird racks.

Other items needed are a good shovel and rakes

Single Series: April 19, 2009, Sunday, at Jones Lake. Wendy circulated Singles Series flyers that Linda Christensen put together. The flyers will be sent by e-mail to retriever and hunt clubs. Flyers will be made available at hunt tests held prior to April 19. Anyone wishing copies of the flyers, contact Pat Johnson.

Pluis Davern and Wendy Johnston are the judges. Sharon Ventura is head marshal.

New Business: Nelson Lampert suggested the club think about alternative places to have training days. Nelson and Elisabeth had a good training day at a duck club where there were live flyers and it was new new/different training grounds. Possible areas were discussed: Denverton, Ornbaums, Goose Lake, Clear Lake, Monterey area (no water), San Jose RC Ogier Road. Suggestions for new areas are welcome.

Membership: Jamie Warren has received membership applications from Paul and Judy Ernst (past members), Robert and Penny Herrera, and Brian and Denise Iwata. A vote was taken and the applicants were approved for membership.

Nominating Committee:

New Officers and Board members are usually elected in April however because of the single series event, the election will take place in May.

The nominating committee for the Board of Directors consists of Pat Johnson, Linda Christensen and Steve Kesselring.

Wendy announced that it is time for members to think about a recipient for the perpetual Don Campbell Memorial Trophy that is awarded each year in June: This trophy is awarded to the club member who has contributed the most towards supporting participation in the sport of hunting retrievers and assisting newcomers and their dogs. Past recipients have provided assistance and encouragement in all aspects of our sport, including but not limited to training and working at club events. Pat Johnson was last year's recipient.

Jones Lake: Pat reported that the JL account balance is high and suggested the possibility of lowering the annual user fee to \$200. Another suggestion was to make a one time payment of \$1,000 to the Nursery for road maintenance/fence/gate repair.

It was agreed to purchase a blind (\$65) for everyone's use and for it to be stored on the grounds.
"There was an additional discussion regarding MBHRC Membership and Jones Lake membership. Trig

presented a statement for building of bridge donated by Trig and to be paid to MBHRC."
We also discussed purchasing a storage room for equipment (would need Nursery approval).

The Nursery has approved storing a boat on the property. Trig will search for a used "john boat" 10-12 feet.

The next Monterey Bay HRC meeting will be on Saturday, May 16 at Jones Lake.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 am with training to follow.

Pat Johnson
Secretary